

IM 3781

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)**

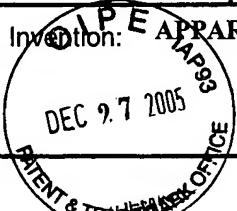
Applicant(s): Junichi Muramatsu, et al.

Docket No.

15248

Application No. 10/067,607	Filing Date February 5, 2002	Examiner Glenn K. Dawson	Customer No. 23389	Group Art Unit 3731	Confirmation No. 5886
-------------------------------	---------------------------------	-----------------------------	-----------------------	------------------------	--------------------------

Invention: APPARATUS FOR LIGATING LIVING TISSUES

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

**CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	22 -	34 =	0	x \$50.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	6 -	7 =	0	x \$200.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$0.00

No additional fee is required for amendment.

Please charge Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_.

A check in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 19-1013/SSMP

- Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038.

**WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.**

Signature

Thomas Spinelli  
Registration No.: 39,533

Dated: December 21, 2005

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to "Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450" [37 CFR 1.8(a)] on

12/21/05

(Date)

Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence
Thomas Spinelli
Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence

cc:



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Applicant(s):** Junichi Muramatsu, et al.      **Examiner:** Glenn K. Dawson  
**Serial No:** 10/067,607      **Art Unit:** 3731  
**Filed:** February 5, 2002      **Docket:** 15248  
**For:** APPARATUS FOR LIGATING  
LIVING TISSUES      **Dated:** December 21, 2005  
**Conf. No.:** 5886

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**RESPONSE**

Sir:

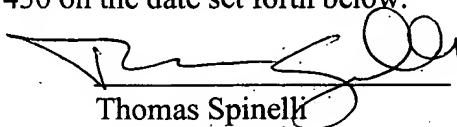
In response to the Official Action dated September 28, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in light of the following amendments and remarks:

---

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8(a)**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date set forth below.

Dated: December 21, 2005



Thomas Spinelli